1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 7 8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 2:15-CR-018-KJD-NJK 2:15-CR-174-KJD-BNW 9 Plaintiff, 2:18-CR-023-KJD-BNW 10 **Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture** v. JASON DEMKO, 11 12 Defendant. 13 This Court finds that defendant Jason Demko pled guilty to the following: 14 As to the Criminal Indictment in *United States of America v. Jason Demko et al*, Case 15 No. 2:15-CR-018-KJD-NJK (Demko), Counts 1-6 of a 6-Count Criminal Indictment 16 charging him in Count 1 with conspiracy to commit mail fraud and wire fraud in violation 17 of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1343, and 1349 and in Counts 2-6 with wire fraud in violation of 18 18 U.S.C. § 1343. Criminal Indictment, ECF No. 26; Change of Plea, ECF No. 155; Plea 19 Agreement, ECF No. 157. 20 As to the Superseding Indictment in *United States of America v. Michael Jones et al*, Case 21 No.: 2:15-CR-174-KJD-BNW (Jones), Counts 1, 4, and 7 of an 11-Count Superseding 22 Indictment charging him in Count 1 with conspiracy to commit mail fraud and wire fraud in 23 violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1343, and 1349 and in Counts 4 and 7 with wire fraud in 24 violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343. Superseding Indictment, ECF No. 38; Change of Plea, ECF 25 No. 207; Plea Agreement, ECF No. 211. 26 As to the Criminal Information in *United States of America v. Jason Demko*, Case No. 27 2:18-CR-023-KJD-BNW (Jones II), Count 1 of a 1-Count Criminal Information charging him in Count 1 with conspiracy to commit mail fraud and wire fraud in violation of 18

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U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1343, and 1349. Criminal Information, ECF No. 8; Change of Plea, ECF No. 12; Plea Agreement, ECF No. 19.

This Court finds defendant Jason Demko agreed to the forfeiture of the property and the imposition of the in personam criminal forfeiture money judgment set forth in the Plea Agreement and the Forfeiture Allegations of the Criminal Indictment (*Demko*), the Superseding Indictment (*Jones*), and the Criminal Information (*Jones II*). Criminal Indictment (*Demko*), ECF No. 26; Change of Plea (*Demko*), ECF No. 155; Plea Agreement (*Demko*), ECF No. 157; Superseding Indictment (*Jones*), ECF No. 38; Change of Plea (*Jones*), ECF No. 207; Plea Agreement (*Jones*), ECF No. 211; Criminal Information (*Jones II*), ECF No. 8; Change of Plea (*Jones II*), ECF No. 12; Plea Agreement (*Jones II*), ECF No. 19.

This Court finds, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(1) and (2), the United States of America has shown the requisite nexus between property set forth the Plea Agreement and the Forfeiture Allegations of the Criminal Indictment (*Demko*), the Superseding Indictment (*Jones*), and the Criminal Information (*Jones II*) and the offenses to which defendant Jason Demko pled guilty.

The following property and money judgment are (1) any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341 and 1343, specified unlawful activities as defined in 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(c)(7)(A) and 1961(1)(B), or 18 U.S.C. § 1349, conspiracy to commit such offenses and (2) any real or personal property constituting, derived from, or traceable to the gross proceeds obtained directly or indirectly as a result of violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341 and 1343, or of 18 U.S.C. § 1349, conspiracy to commit such offenses, and are subject to forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) with 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c); 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(8)(B); and 21 U.S.C. § 853(p):

The property listed in the Superseding Indictment (*Jones*), namely:

1. \$50,018.53; and

2. \$8,252.04

(all of which constitutes property)

and a total in personam criminal forfeiture money judgment of \$1,200,471, divided among the consolidated indictments and information as follows:

- 1. \$398,122 in *Demko*, not to held jointly and severally liable with any codefendants, with the total amount collected in that matter not to exceed \$398,122;
- 2. \$298,319 in *Jones*, not to be held jointly and severally liable with any codefendants, with the total amount collected in that matter not to exceed \$3,574,992.35, and that the property will be applied toward the \$3,574,992.35 amount, not the defendant's \$298,319 amount; and
- 3. \$504,030 in *Jones II*, not to be held jointly and severally liable with any codefendants, with the total amount collected in that matter not to exceed \$7,934,095.32.

This Court finds that the United States of America may amend this order at any time to add subsequently located property or substitute property to the forfeiture order pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(2)(C) and 32.2(e).

The in personam criminal forfeiture money judgment complies with *Honeycutt v. United States*, ___U.S.____, 137 S. Ct. 1626 (2017).

This Court finds the United States of America is now entitled to, and should, reduce the aforementioned property to the possession of the United States of America.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the United States of America should seize the aforementioned property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the United States of America recover from Jason Demko an in personam criminal forfeiture money judgment of \$1,200,471.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED all possessory rights, ownership rights, and all rights, titles, and interests of Jason Demko in the aforementioned property are forfeited and are vested in the United States of America and shall be safely held by the United States of America until further order of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED the United States of America shall publish for at least thirty (30) consecutive days on the official internet government forfeiture website, www.forfeiture.gov, notice of this Order, which shall describe the forfeited property, state the time under the applicable statute when a petition contesting the forfeiture must be filed, and state the name and contact information for the government attorney to be served with the petition, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(6) and 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(2).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that any individual or entity who claims an interest in the aforementioned property must file a petition for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the property, which petition shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury pursuant to 21 U.S.C § 853(n)(3) and 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title, or interest in the forfeited property and any additional facts supporting the petitioner's petition and the relief sought.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED a petition, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Court, 333 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, no later than thirty (30) days after the notice is sent or, if direct notice was not sent, no later than sixty (60) days after the first day of the publication on the official internet government forfeiture site, www.forfeiture.gov.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED a copy of the petition, if any, shall be served upon the Asset Forfeiture Attorney of the United States Attorney's Office at the following address at the time of filing:

Daniel D. Hollingsworth Assistant United States Attorney James A. Blum Assistant United States Attorney 501 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Suite 1100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED the notice described herein need not be published in the event a Declaration of Forfeiture is issued by

the appropriate agency following publication of notice of seizure and intent to administratively forfeit the above-described property. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Clerk send copies of this Order to all counsel of record and three certified copies to the United States Attorney's Office, Attention Asset Forfeiture Unit. DATED March 10 _____, 2020. HONORABLE KENT J. DAWSON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing was served upon counsel of record via Electronic Filing on March 9, 2020.

/s/ Heidi L. Skillin HEIDI L. SKILLIN FSA Contractor Paralegal

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